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- 1. IT HAS NOW BEEN DETERMINED THAT SECRETARY SIMON WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE TO LEAVE THE US DURING DECEMBER. HE WILL, HOWEVER, BE ABLE TO GO TO SAUDI ARABIA FOR MEETING OF JOINT COMMISSION IN EARLY JANUARY PRIOR TO CONVENING OF NEW CONGRESS. JANUARY 5-6 WOULD BE POSSIBLE. ALTERNATIVELY, HE WOULD BE ABLE TO HOLD MEETING IN WASHINGTON DECEMBER 9-10.
- 2. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONVEY TO SAUDIS THE DEEP REGRET OF SECRETARY SIMON THAT THIS LONG-PLANNED MEETING, WHICH HE HAD BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO, COULD NOT TAKE PLACE IN RIYADH AS PROPOSED FOR DECEMBER AND CONFIDENTIAL

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ASCERTAIN ON HIS BEHALF WHETHER A MEETING IN RIYADH

JANUARY 5-6 WOULD BE FEASIBLE- WE LEAVE TO YOUR DISCRETION WHETHER TO SOUND THEM OUT ON POSSIBILITY OF COMING TO US FOR SESSION IN DECEMBER INSTEAD. FYI: IN THIS CONNECTION YOU SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT A MEETING OF US-ISRAELI JOINT COMMITTEE MAY RPT MAY TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON ON DECEMBER 3-4, CHAIRED BY SEC SIMON AND ISRAELI FINANCE MINISTER. END FYI. KISSINGER

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